

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, August 8, 2006, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman  
Doug Mood, Commissioner  
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner  
Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman, was absent but left his proxy with Commissioner Mood.

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel  
Utility Division

(199) In the matter of CenturyTel July 20, 2006 filed Transmittal No. 06-05. CenturyTel is proposing to waive the installation charges for customers moving from their current location to a new location within the company serving area who subscribe to a Simple Choice bundle. Also, the company will waive the applicable nonrecurring charges for each access line order by residential customers who previously established service with another Local Exchange Carrier and who wish to return to CenturyTel for local Service. This promotion is scheduled to run from August 20, 2006 through October 31, 2006- Docket No. N2006.7.107:

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve CenturyTel's Transmittal No. 06-05 in Docket No. N2006.7.107. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. The vote was left open for Commissioner Molnar.

(200) In the matter of Qwest July 25, 2006 filed Tariff Transmittal 06-12, 2006, Mid Season Promotion. Qwest is requesting to conduct an 89-day ISDN Primary Rate Service (PRS) and Digital Switched Service (DSS) promotion in Montana- Docket No. N2006.7.109:

Commissioner Mood moved to approve Qwest's Tariff Transmittal 06-12 in Docket No. N2006.7.109. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. The vote was left open for Commissioner Molnar.

(201) In the matter of MCI Communications July 25, 2006 filed revisions to its Montana Tariff No. 2. The purpose of this filing is to make textual changes to Basic Calling Plan A Savings Plan I, II, Basic Calling Plan YY Saving Plan I, Basic Calling Plan ZZ Savings Plan I, and II; reduce the monthly recurring charges for integrated RLA Service- Docket No. N2006.7.111:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve MCI's revisions to its Montana Tariff No. 2 in Docket N2006.7.111. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. The vote was left open for Commissioner Molnar.

APPEARANCE  
Wayne Budt, Administrator  
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(202) In the matter of David D. and Marla J. Francis dba Valley Cab, Belgrade, Montana request for permission to lease PSC No. 2278 to David D. Francis dba All Valley Cab, Belgrade, Montana for a six month period, August 8, 2006 to February 8, 2007.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the lease as requested. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. The vote was left open for Commissioner Molnar.

(203) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of July 31, 2006. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. The vote was left open for Commissioner Molnar.

APPEARANCE  
Martin Jacobson  
Legal Division

(204) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Triangle Communications application for ETC Status- Docket No. D2004.1.6:

Commissioner Schneider moved to advise staff that in the event of a settlement, expert witnesses will not be required. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

APPEARANCE  
Mike Lee  
Utility Division

(205) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Intercarrier Compensation, Missoula Plan- Docket No. D2004.5.84:

Commissioner Raney moved to issue the necessary notices in order to schedule a roundtable on Intercarrier Compensation, Missoula Plan on Friday, October 20, 2006. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

APPEARANCE  
Phil Cooke, Utility Division  
Tim Sweeney, Legal Division

(206) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of YP.Net Cramming/Settlement Agreement-Docket No. D2004.12.198:

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the Settlement as modified in the discussions by the staff presentation. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

APPEARANCE

Candace Beery  
Utility Division

(207) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Order 888 Reform Notice Of Proposed Rulemaking. FERC is seeking to prevent undue discrimination and preference in transmission service:

Commissioner Molnar moved that a footnote be drafted to the effect that the Montana Commission has concern about the mandatory membership provisions violating the concept of voluntary membership in RTO/ITC. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

Commissioner Jergeson moved that Montana Commission agree to support the comments and that we draft a footnote on the bolded language in accordance with the discussion this morning and that the participant in the meeting Thursday be delegated authority to deal with any other amendments that may come up in the course of the meeting. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Legal Division  
Staci Litschauer, Centralized Services Division

(208) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Commission/ Legal Secretary Connie Jones working alternating 8 and 10 hour work weeks beginning September 4, 2006.

Commissioner Raney moved that Connie Jones work schedule be approved to work alternating weeks beginning September 4, 2006, working 5-8 hour days and alternating weeks at 4-10 hour days. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

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GREG JERGESON, Chairman

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BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman

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DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

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ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

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THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones  
Commission Secretary

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